

THE GREENVILLE TIMES

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GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI.

Gov. Roosevelt has informed the Republican national committee, through its vice chairman, H. C. Payne, that he will give three solid weeks to campaign work in the state of New York.

Speaker Henderson was renominated by acclamation, on the 28th, by the Third Iowa district republican convention for his tenth term as representative in congress. The nomination was made amid great enthusiasm.

The department of state is advised by Minister Powell, at Port-au-Prince, that he had been informed that the government of Haiti has adopted the gold standard, and that the unit of value is the American gold dollar.

The prohibitionists of Illinois met in Chicago, on the 26th, and nominated a state ticket headed by Judge V. V. Burnes for governor, and adopted a platform the two planks of which were prohibition and woman suffrage.

It was asserted in Shanghai, on the 28th, that Liu, the viceroy of Nankin, had received instructions from Peking to inform the foreign consuls there immediately that the legations at Peking "have been arranged peace terms."

The China restriction bill, increasing the tax on Chinese immigrants from \$50 to \$100, was practically adopted by the Canadian house of commons on the 26th. The measure also restricts the immigration of Japanese to 12 per month.

Two deaths were caused in Chicago by excessive heat and humidity on the 27th. Antonio Shogrens dropped dead on the street, and Oscar Berner, overcome while sitting in a second story window, fell to the ground, sustaining fatal injuries.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow, who for the past five weeks had been in Havana investigating the Cuban postal frauds and initiating reforms in the administration of the Cuban postal service, returned to Washington on the 28th.

Gen. Chaffee left Washington, on the 27th, for San Francisco, accompanied by Lieut. Harper, his aide. He is due at San Francisco on the morning of the 1st, and sails for Nagasaki on the transport Grant, with the Sixth cavalry, the same day.

The president and Mrs. McKinley left Washington for Canton, O., in a private car attached to the regular 7:45 p. m. train on the Pennsylvania railroad, on the 28th, accompanied by Dr. Rixey, Secretary Cortelyou and Assistant Secretary Barnes.

A dispatch from Che Foo, on the 27th, said: "The American mission at Wuh Si En, Shan Tung province, China, has been destroyed. The missionaries escaped. The governor has notified foreigners inland that he is unable to protect them."

It is reported on good Chinese authority that the government, alarmed by the foreign military preparations, has issued an edict ordering the peremptory suppression of the Boxers, and announcing a decision to protect the legations at all hazards.

More definite and complete returns lately received concerning the beach strike at Topkuk, 55 miles below Nome, Alaska, leave no reason to doubt that this is one of the greatest strikes ever made in that vicinity, and as important as that at Nome itself.

Victoria crosses have been bestowed on Maj. John Phillips Hornby, Sergeant Parker and Driver Glasscock, of "Q" battery, Royal artillery, for conspicuous bravery in saving four guns from the convoy disaster at Kron-spruit, Orange Free State, March 31.

Commandant De Wet, with 3,000 burghers and three guns, is moving northeast in the Orange River colony. It is understood that he and Commandant-General Botha entered into a compact that neither would surrender as long as the other was in the field.

The United States Monetary league, which will meet in Kansas City, Mo., on July 2 and 3, will be addressed by a dozen speakers of national prominence. There will be three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening of each day, and two speeches will be delivered at each session.

The Prohibition National convention in Chicago adjourned sine die, on the 28th, after having placed in nomination for president John G. Woolley, of Illinois, and for vice-president Henry B. Metcalf, of Rhode Island. The nominations in each instance were made on the first ballot.

A detachment of the Sixth cavalry arrived at San Francisco, on the 26th, en route to Nagasaki, from which place the soldiers will doubtless be sent to the scene of conflict in China, by Gen. Chaffee, who has been assigned to command the American troops operating in that quarter.

The viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, cabled, on the 26th, that the monsoon had considerably improved the west coast. Six inches of rain had fallen at Bombay city, extending to Berara and the central provinces, while there had been frequent showers in the sub-montane districts and the north-western provinces.

At the annual meeting of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers in London, on the 27th, about seventy members of the American society were present. President C. H. Morgan, of Worcester, Mass., replied to an address of welcome, and Mr. G. C. Hemming, of New York, participated in the discussion of the papers read.

Nine of the insurgent leaders, including Generals Pio del Pilar, Concepcion, Garcia and Alvarez, were released at Manila, on the 27th, upon taking the oath of allegiance to the government and renouncing all forms of revolution in the Philippines, together with making formal acknowledgment of American sovereignty.

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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The Italian armored cruiser Vettor Pisani, and the protected cruisers Stromboli and Vesuvio, were, on the 27th, ordered to Shanghai.

The composite brigade of 2,300 men who raised the investment of Tien Tsin and pushed on to help Admiral Seymour has probably saved him, but the news had not, up to the 27th, reached Che Foo, the nearest telegraph point.

Persons going into the Kiowan-Comanche and Apache Indian reservation for the purpose of acquiring mineral lands will be ejected as "Sooners" and kept off the reservation until it is formally declared open to settlement by presidential proclamation.

Seventy-one millions of silver dollars, coined to represent the last issue of silver certificates, have just been transferred from the old mint, in Philadelphia, to the new building in that city, the vaults of which have a capacity of 110,000,000 silver dollars.

General heavy rains were reported, on the 27th, as having fallen in Wisconsin, Minnesota and North and South Dakota. The rain came at an opportune time in the last-named states, and it is believed the wheat crop can now be saved.

Ex-Gov. Taylor and wife, of Kentucky, reached Indianapolis, Ind., from the east, on the 27th. Taylor had shaved off his moustache, and his appearance was much changed. He looked ill.

A severe storm swept over southern Indiana, on the 27th, and creeks were swollen and many bridges swept away. The wheat crop was almost totally destroyed and other crops were damaged.

A spark entered a dust collector in the factory of the Standard Starch Co., at Kankakee, Ill., on the 27th, and caused an explosion that injured six girls employed in the packing department and a boy, who was blown from a second-story window.

Miles Ogle, the celebrated counterfeiter, died, on the 27th, at Mount Carmel hospital, Columbus, O., aged 66 years. A wife and several children reside at St. Louis, but they have been estranged for many years.

The navy department received a cablegram from Rear-Admiral Kempf, on the 27th, at Che Foo, saying: "Peking force and ministers reported with Peking relief expedition, intruded eight miles from Tien Tsin."

Six children were injured, one fatally, and the house of Ed Bullard, a farmer, wrecked by a most peculiar and destructive freak of a storm, two miles south of Whiting, Ia., on the 27th. Lightning struck the house, and it was demolished as if blown up by dynamite.

A terrific wind storm struck Pender, Neb., on the 27th, doing considerable damage. One large barn was wrecked, the railroad depot was partially unroofed and telegraphic wires were blown down. Several houses were partly unroofed. Other towns in the path of the wind suffered also.

Hornee Sedger, a well-known theatrical manager, and his wife, Ethel, an actress, were arraigned and remanded at the Bow Street (London) police court, on the 28th, on the charge of fraudulently obtaining goods by means of worthless checks.

The New York board of health has decided to thoroughly disinfect the Chinese quarters in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Coney Island, as a measure of precaution against the plague.

The Colorado state board of health advises the maintenance of the quarantine against Chinese and Japanese on account of bubonic plague at San Francisco.

Prof. Ferdinand von Ritzhoffen has been appointed director of the newly-established Museum of Oceanography at Berlin.

At the permanent automobile exposition in Berlin, applications for space have been so numerous that an enlargement of the original area was necessary.

When the British ship Hudson leaves the port of Philadelphia, for Japan, within a few days, she will carry an oil plant, the first ever shipped to that country.

Queen Victoria will present to the municipality of Dublin, in memory of her recent visit, a gold loving cup, weighing 100 ounces.

A masked robber started through a Pullman car on the Omaha-Billings train on the Burlington after leaving York, Neb., soon after midnight on the morning of the 28th. He got two watches and \$70, but became alarmed, pulled the air brake and left the train before completing his work.

GRAVEST APPREHENSIONS.

Consuls Argue the Worst From Assassination of German Minister.

LONDON, July 2.—Official dispatches received by the consular body at Shanghai, an Express cable, dated Shanghai, July 1, says, confirm in the fullest manner the report of the butchery of Baron von Kettler, the German minister, on June 18. The ambassador was riding on Legation street when he was attacked by Chinese troops and Boxers, dragged from his horse and killed. His body was hacked to pieces with swords.

The German legation and six other buildings were burned, and a number of servants of the legations were killed and their bodies thrown in the flames.

Official dispatches of this ghastly business have created the utmost consternation among the consuls-general of the powers who express fears that war! an outrage will be declared against the Peking government. The consuls entertain little hope that any foreigners are left alive in the capital.

There are 100 foreigners confined with the legations, fifty in the custom-house, English and American tourists and others to the number of 150, and nearly 500 legation guards.

The British foreign office, the Daily Mail learns, has learned from the British consul at Che Foo that Baron von Kettler has been killed, but has no other information.

Foreigners Executed at Peking. A dispatch to the Express from Nankin, June 30, says: "French priests here have received reports from Peking that the public executions of foreigners have been in progress since June 20. The news comes by runners from French priests at Peking, who state that they administered the last rites to the condemned men."

Nankin cables, dated Sunday, say that Viceroy Liu Yun Yih received a telegram from Gen. Yulu on Saturday stating that the German minister had been murdered at Peking. Yulu, who escaped from Tien Tsin to Pao Ting Fu, also wired:

"Position desperate. Implore your help. Foreign troops of eight nationalities entering Peking to the number of 30,000 or 40,000. I cannot hold out four days."

Liu Yun Yih has received this from the viceroy of Yun Shikai: "Foreign troops victorious at Tien Tsin. They will enter Peking immediately."

Outbreaks of the Boxers appear to be imminent at Canton. The feeling of unrest steadily increases. Boxers from Ping Tu were marching on Sunday on Che Foo. The governor feared for the town and sent to the warships for forces.

A small riot occurred at Che Foo on Saturday. Fifty-two refugees who have arrived from New Chwang aver that the Boxers have destroyed the railway north of Port Arthur, and that all the American and English residents are leaving.

Gen. Yun Shih Kan, commanding the best foreign-drilled troops in China, has notified the German governor of Kiau Chou that he will not permit the Germans' proposed expedition to Weih Sien to rescue Chalfont and the Misses Bowden and Hawes, the American missionaries in the hands of the Boxers. The missionaries at Pao Ting Fu were reported to be safe on June 25.

A correspondent in Shanghai learns from official sources that the Chinese are laying torpedoes between Shanghai and the Kiang Nan arsenal. Agents of the Boxers are busy in Shanghai provoking hatred of foreigners.

Nothing has been heard from the column which relieved Admiral Seymour five days ago and then proceeded toward Peking, but as it takes at least two days to communicate between Tien Tsin and Che Foo, there is nothing extraordinary in this. Troops are going forward from Taku to Tien Tsin daily, though some reports from Taku allege that it will be three weeks before a large force can be sent to Peking.

Russian Barbarities Do Harm. A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Tong Ku, without date, via Che Foo Friday, says:

"It is improper any longer to conceal the harm done to the allies by the barbarities and the pillage of the Russians on the day of bombardment. They wantonly shot natives and looted everything, including the European houses in Taku. The natives for miles around were looted of supplies and labor is scarce."

The morning papers generally accept as conclusive the reports that Baron Kettler has been killed, and express grave uncertainty as to whether any of the members of the legation at Peking are safe.

The correspondent of the Times at Shanghai, telegraphing on Sunday, says:

"Dispatches from Tien Tsin report a serious attack upon German railway engineers at Kaumi. The Europeans escaped but many Chinese were killed and much property was destroyed. The Memorial church at Yeh Chiao Fu has been burned. The missionaries at Tien Tsin have been ordered to leave by the mandarins. The advance of troops from Taku is hampered by the lack of cavalry transport."

THE PATIENT IMPROVING. Brazilian Serum Said to Be Working an Unlooked-for Cure.

CITY OF MEXICO, July 1.—David Patrick, the American ill with yellow fever at the American hospital, has continued to improve with the use of the fever serum, and it is hoped that by tomorrow he will be out of danger. The case has aroused the most intense interest in medical circles, as the patient, when the serum was first injected, had severe spells of vomiting, and his death was hourly expected. He had arrived from a hot country with the disease.

Protecting Chinamen. GREENVILLE, Miss., July 1.—A few days ago there occurred the first instance of a species of whitecapping ever known in Washington county. The seat of disturbance was Hollandale, where several Chinamen were driven from the town and some damage done to their property. Judge Larkin issued bench warrants for all the offenders, had them arrested and brought before him, and after hearing the evidence bound them over to await the action of the grand jury, and also put them under bond to keep the peace.

RAILROAD PURCHASES. A Tennessee and a Georgia Railroad Said to Have Been Sold.

CHATTANOOGA, July 1.—It was stated tonight on very good authority that the Chattanooga, Rome & Southern railroad had bought the Durham branch. The Chattanooga Southern, from this city to Gadsden, it is also stated, will change hands and be bought by a company controlling large bodies of mineral lands in North Georgia. The conclusion of these negotiations means active development of the coal and iron interests of the North Georgia.

Croker Is Non-Committal. KANSAS CITY, July 1.—Richard Croker was seen tonight and asked about Mr. Hill's visit to Lincoln, Neb. He said: "I do not know what we will make out of it."

"Is Mr. Hill a candidate for vice-president?" "I don't believe he wants it," was the reply.

One Tammany man declared that Croker knew all about Hill's visit before he went away and said Tammany would "stand for" any arrangement Hill might make at Lincoln.

200 PERSONS PERISH

Hospitals in Three Cities Crowded With Injured.

Four Great Ships Destroyed by Fire—One of the Ships Carried 450 People and Was Ready to Sail—Property Loss \$10,000,000.

NEW YORK, June 30.—Almost \$10,000,000 worth of property was destroyed, many lives were lost, many persons were injured and at least 1,500 lives were imperiled by a fire that started among cotton bales under pier 3 of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company in Hoboken at 4 o'clock. In less than 15 minutes the flames covered an area of a quarter of a mile long, extending outward from the actual shore line to the bulkheads, from 600 to 1,000 feet away, and had ignited four great ocean liners and a dozen or more smaller harbor craft in its grasp.

Stories in regard to the loss of life are conflicting, the number being variously estimated at from 50 to 200. Twenty-five bodies have been recovered, but they are so badly burned that identification is impossible.

While the fire was still burning the work of relief was begun. Men came to the office of the North German Lloyd line almost naked and with their clothing ruined by the salt water. Men who had been treated by doctors, but who were not sufficiently injured as to be taken to hospitals, also gathered at the office. Every man was given money and clothing and taken to a temporary lodging house. The sailors from the ships lost absolutely everything they possessed. Fully 80 per cent. of the sailors are Germans who have no home and no relatives in this country. Most of them lived in Germany.

NEW YORK, July 1.—The losses sustained in the fire at the docks of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company at Hoboken yesterday are tonight conservatively placed at \$10,000,000. The loss of life, while merely guess work at even this late hour, will probably reach as high as 200, and there are more than 300 men in the hospitals in this city, Hoboken and Jersey City badly burned.

The scene of the great fire today presented a spectacular but horrible sight. Over in Hoboken, where two days ago piers reached hundreds of feet out into the river and rising in the air like great hills, stood alive with outgoing and incoming commerce, a great waste of burning and smoldering beams, with here and there a remnant of high brick wall, all that remains of the thousands of dollars' worth of property. Four large storehouses of the Palmer Campbell Company were wrecked, and they, with the piers, go to make up the appalling mass of debris that lies smoking, sizzling and steaming across North river. It covers over four city blocks and reaches out into the river for more than a thousand feet.

Scenes That Were Sickening. The fireboat Robert A. Van Wyck, which arrived on the scene first among the river fire-fighting craft, presented a picture of horror and ghastliness as she lay at her dock in the East river today. The docks were covered with cotton, saturated with the blood of the victims rescued by the brave men aboard.

Pieces of human skin clung to the rags, and the dreadful experience of the firemen of the day previous was brought again to eyes and memories which sought to forget the horrible spectacle. Lieut. McGinnis said:

"I should say that we were passengers aboard the Saale. They looked like passengers and surely were not members of the crew. They were locked down in the hold of the vessel as securely as ever a convict was imprisoned in a cell. There was no escape for them after the vessel began to take water. We got thirty out of there while we were allowed to work from the dock. It was then that we witnessed the awful sight of human agony."

"A hundred arms with the flesh torn from them and blackened with smoke, protruded from the small port holes, which were but a foot or less in diameter. If these port holes had been larger, sufficient to admit the passage of a human body, the rescues would have been many more in number than they were. The thirty men we rescued were raving maniacs when we got them aboard. They could not realize that they had escaped the horrible death that threatened them but a few minutes before. In their delirium they fought each other after they were rescued."

"The most agonizing sight I witnessed was that of a woman who was burned. We could see her face and arms as she reached out and got a handful of water, with which she washed her face seeking to cool it and gain relief from the terrible heat. She never once uttered a scream. We passed her a cup of water. She grabbed it eagerly and drank it. She could not speak English but murmured in a foreign tongue and in a tone which apparently denoted that she was praying. We spoke words of cheer to her. The boat gave a lurch, water filled the compartment which she was in, and she sank from our sight and we saw her no more."

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